

Save Heber Creeper

2<sup>nd</sup> Phase

Private vs Public

Ownership



7 Oct 1970 Wed.

At: Dr. R.R. Green's Office

Who: Danny Tucker Heavy Equipment Operator  
talked to Dr Green and said he could  
get & Shurtliff to lift that #618  
onto a lowboy & take it to the tracks  
& lift it onto the tracks.

Danny called the SL office & talked  
to Paul Shurtliff. He guessed cost 4500.<sup>00</sup>  
& would make formal bid.

8 Oct 1970: Thurs

2 PM - Danny came and told Dr. Green  
that Shurtliff's First Real Bid is \$12,106.<sup>00</sup>  
to move #618 from S.L. Fairgrounds  
to SL & Garfield R.R. This includes all  
equipment: One 140 Ton Crane, one  
40 Ton Crane & one 50 ton crane, cables,  
shackles, low boy, truck, etc.

8 PM Today Danny called back &  
said the lowest bid they could possibly  
do would be 8600.<sup>00</sup> since it is a non-  
profit organization.



## Mountain Lands Association

Definition: 3 county organization of Wasatch, Utah, & Summit Counties to foster public programs for our area.

This will be a medium thru which Federal Funds can be attracted.

It is also a body by which the State of Utah has allowed a Motel Rm Tax can be levied & used for the development of the area.

Current Thinking among our group would be that Edward McLaughlin could be the Executive Director to help on this Rail Road Project.



8 Oct 1970

At: Mt. Fuel Supply Office  
Bud Kastler's Office

Purpose: See how to put the financial  
Structure of this Rail Road together.

Present: Kastler, L. Ritchie, Lowe Ashton, R.R. Green MD.

Discussion:

Lowe gave background of our Assets.

We told him who owns what.

Kastler indicates that private enterprise  
will have tough sledding due to cost of  
money, & Private interests trying to deal  
with Public Interests is always difficult.

Kastler gave better way:

Heber City, Wasatch Co., should deal  
with Wasatch Mt. State Park, to develop  
these assets. → This would allow  
better tax status, easier dealing of  
Public & Public Interests.

This dampens Private Enterprise a bit

Kastler also said we need a good  
Feasibility Study by a Respected Firm.

He said he would call Irving Trust in  
New York tomorrow, and get their  
advice on who could do that kind of study  
& then let us know.

Approx. cost 15,000 or more.



# The Wasatch Wave

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Mountainland Association of Governments . . .

## 3-County Council Organized

### Association Necessary to Qualify For Federal Grants

A three county regional association was formally approved in a meeting of representatives from Summit, Wasatch and Utah County Councils of Government in Heber Thursday, September 23.

The new regional association was given the name Mountainland Association of Governments (Region IV).

Representing the three counties were members of the County Commissions, James Murnin and Kenneth Woolstenhulme from Summit County, Stanley D. Roberts, and Verl G. Stone from Utah County and Russell Wall from Wasatch County. Mr. Wall was appointed by the quorum to conduct the meeting.

#### Purposes Given

The purpose of the Mountainland Association of Governments was spelled out in articles of Association which had been drawn up by the Utah State Department of Local Affairs, and were adopted during the meeting. Great stress was placed on the need for orderly and harmonious coordination between the three counties on fed-

eral, state and local programs and projects.

The articles state that the association, which is to be strictly a voluntary organization, shall " . . . provide a common forum to identify, discuss and bring into focus regional challenges and opportunities."

#### Federal Grants

Bill Bruhn, head of the State Local Affairs office said that the major need for the association was in the area of acquiring federal grants.

"At least three major federal agencies will not even consider applications for grants unless some kind of regional group, such as this body, has officially placed its stamp of approval on the application," Mr. Bruhn said.

The Mountainland Association of Governments will now organize itself by developing an executive committee which will consist of two members from each board of County Commission, 2 members representing mayors from each county in the region, and one additional member from each municipality of over 30,000 population in each coun-

#### Central Staff

The articles also provide for the establishment of a central staff which would consist of an executive director, and whatever staff members are needed to accomplish the goals of the association.

For the present, the Planning Department of the Utah County Council of Governments will carry out the staff function, without charge to the Association.

Some of the services the new association will render to local

governments include technical advice and assistance in regard to local problems which have region impact, and in the preparation of plans, programs and projects in one county which may affect the other counties.

#### 2 Applications

Mr. Roberts stated at the meeting that two applications for federal funds made by cities in Utah County were turned down recently for lack of some kind of regional coordination. He indicated that he felt the Mountainland Association of Counties would soon become one of the greatest tools the various communities in the three county area could use to remove such stumbling blocks from applications in the future.

The next meeting of the Association was set for October 28 at 7:30 p. m. in Heber City.



**SIGNING ARTICLES** of Association for the Mountainland Association of Governments are these men representing the Councils of Government from Summit, Wasatch and Utah Counties. Seated from left, are Kenneth Woolstenhulme, Summit County; Stanley D.

Roberts, Utah County, and Russell Wall, Wasatch County. Standing, from the left are, James Murnin, Summit County, Verl G. Stone, Utah County, and Bill Bruhn, representing the State Department of Local Affairs.



10-10-70 Saturday  
Where: Track work

Who: Ed McLaughlin  
Dennis A Spendlove

Project: Work on the "Dinky" Engine  
Work on setting rails at  
Bridal Veil falls.  
Rails now completely open  
to Nunn's Crossing where  
State Road has filled  
tracks in.

Still: the Prime objective is to  
get the Equipment into Heber  
City.



12 Oct 1970

Place Heber R.R. Station

Project: To take Ed Jones, Wife & any others  
from Robert Redford Group on Ride down  
to Bridal Veil Falls

Who went:

RR Green

Lowe Ashton

Ed Mc Laughlin

Jim Berry

Gordon Wheeler

Ed Jones

Susan Jones





STATE OF UTAH  
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR  
SALT LAKE CITY

GALVIN L. RAMPTON  
GOVERNOR

October 19, 1970

Lowe Ashton  
Wasatch Chamber of Commerce,  
Save the Heber Creeper Committee  
Heber City, Utah 84032

Dear Lowe;

Thank you for your warm letter regarding the Provo Canyon Railroad Project. I do hope you are successful in this pursuit.

I have asked Bill Bruhn to work closely with you. I know you will call on him if assistance is required. Good luck to you on the venture.

Governor

